# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

Richard Stoss,	FILED ELECTRONICALLY
Plaintiff	
V.	
NCO Financial Systems, Inc.,	
Defendant	

## **COMPLAINT**

#### I. Introduction

1. This is an action for damages brought by an individual consumer for violations of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1692, *et seq.* ("the Act") which prohibits debt collectors from engaging in abusive, unfair, and deceptive practices.

# II. Jurisdiction and Venue

- Jurisdiction of this Court is proper pursuant to 15 U.S.C.
   § 1692k(d), which permits an action under the Act to be brought in any court of competent jurisdiction.
- 3. Venue in this district is proper in that Defendant transacts business here and the conduct complained of is alleged to have occurred here.

### **III. Parties**

- 4. Plaintiff, Richard Stoss, is a natural person residing at 157 Valley View Park, Dallas, PA 18612.
- 5. Defendant, NCO Financial Systems, Inc., ("the Collector") is a corporation engaged in the business of collecting debts in this state with a place of business located at 507 Prudential Rd., Horsham, PA 19044.
- 6. The Collector is a "debt collector" as defined by the Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(6).

## **IV. Statement of Claim**

- 7. On or before August 27, 2009, the Collector began attempting to collect an alleged account ("the Account") from Plaintiff.
- 8. The Account is a "debt" as that term is defined by the Act, 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(5).
- 9. The collector regularly uses the telephone and mails to attempt to collect consumer debts alleged to be due another.
- 10. Between August 27, 2009, and September 22, 2009, the Collector caused at least three (3) telephone calls ("the Calls") to be placed to phone number (570) 674-5767.

- 11. The aforementioned phone number was assigned to the address identified in paragraph 4 at all times relevant to this matter.
- 12. During each of *the Calls*, an employee of the Collector left a message ("*the Messages*") for Plaintiffs.
- 13. 15 U.S.C. § 1692e(11) requires a debt collector to disclose that the communication is from a debt collector in each communication with a consumer.
- 14. In one (1) of *the Messages*, the caller failed to disclose that the call was from a debt collector.
- 15. In that one (1) of *the Messages,* the caller failed to provide the disclosure required by 15 U.S.C. § 1692e(11).
- 16. 15 U.S.C. § 1692d(6) requires a debt collector to provide a meaningful disclosure of identity in each communication with a consumer.
- 17. In all three (3) of *the Messages*, the caller failed to state the name of the Collector.
- 18. In all three (3) of *the Messages*, the caller failed to provide the meaningful disclosure of identity required by 15 U.S.C. § 1692d(6).
  - 19. *The Calls* and *Messages* were attempts to collect the Account.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendant for damages, costs, attorney's fees, and such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

## V. Demand for Jury Trial

20. Plaintiff demands a trial by jury as to all issues so triable.

Respectfully Submitted,

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